# NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION[571]

#### **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 455A.5(6) and 461A.42, the Natural Resource Commission hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 61, "State Parks and Recreation Areas," and to rescind Chapter 62, "State Forest Camping," Iowa Administrative Code.

The Commission is merging Chapter 62 into Chapter 61 and making additional edits. Chapter 62 is being entirely rescinded as many of the rules in Chapter 62 are similar or identical to the rules found in Chapter 61; thus combining these two chapters avoids redundancy. Chapter 61 will be reorganized with the creation of two divisions: Division I titled "State Parks and Recreation Areas," and Division II titled "State Forest Camping." In addition, the proposed amendments to Chapter 61:

- 1. Update the applicability rule to include state forest camping areas.
- 2. Remove the reference to Pioneer Recreation Area from the list in the definition of "recreation areas." This area is under a management agreement with Mitchell County and is already included in the definition of "state park managed by another governmental entity."
  - 3. Update the definition of "rental facilities" to include warming houses.
- 4. Remove the reference to Wanata from the list in the definition of "state park" as Clay County now has fee title to the park.
- 5. Remove Oakland Mills and Mill Creek State Parks from the list in the definition of "state park managed by another governmental entity" as Henry County now has fee title of Oakland Mills Park and O'Brien County has fee title of Mill Creek Park.
- 6. Update the listing in the definition of "state preserves" to include the three state preserves that have been dedicated most recently.
- 7. Omit from new rule 571—61.3(461A) the subrule that adopted the business rules manual by reference. After a thorough review of the business rules manual, eight policies in the business rules manual were identified as necessary, and those policies are incorporated as administrative rules in this Notice of Intended Action. The remaining policies in the business rules manual establish protocol between the vendor and the Department regarding operation and management of the centralized reservation system and are not necessary to include in administrative rules. The eight existing policies are incorporated as administrative rules as follows:
- a. Reservations will not be accepted for camping stays that occur between November 1 through March 31:
- b. The last day a person may make or change a reservation for campsites and rental facilities if payment is made by paper check or money order is 21 days prior to the arrival date;
  - c. All reservations shall be for a specific campsite or rental facility;
- d. The reservation window to change a camping reservation for campsites is 4 days prior to arrival if payment is made by credit card or debit card and 15 days prior to arrival for rental facilities if payment is made by credit card or debit card;
- e. Equestrian campers shall be allowed to change a camping reservation less than 4 days prior to the arrival date if the equestrian trails are closed on the same day as or the day before the campers' scheduled arrival date:
- f. The cancellation policy including forfeiture of fees depending upon how close to the arrival date the cancellation occurs;
  - g. Minimum-stay requirements for camping reservations; and

- h. Campers reserving "buddy" or group campsites must reserve both or all four of the individual sites that make up the buddy or group campsite.
- 8. Change the reference from "group camp" to "conservation education center rental" at Springbrook State Park.
- 9. Clarify that a walk-in camper must have the beginning date of the camping stay on the camper registration form dated the same day the camper pays the camping fee and posts the registration in the campsite marker.
- 10. Establish day-use lodge fees for new or renovated lodges at Lewis and Clark State Park visitor center banquet room, Mini-Wakan State Park, and Waubonsie State Park.
  - 11. Establish a rental fee of \$30 for the warming house at Pilot Knob State Park.
- 12. Eliminate the Friday and Saturday night stay requirement for the multifamily cabin at Springbrook State Park.
  - 13. Clarify that a damage deposit is required for cabins, lodges, and open shelters with kitchenettes.
- 14. Change the damage deposit amount to be equal to the daily rental fee for the facility or \$50, whichever is greater.
- 15. For rental facility gatherings with keg beer, waive the damage deposit in lieu of the keg damage deposit if the keg damage deposit is greater than the facility damage deposit.
- 16. Establish the provision that pets are not to be left unattended in campgrounds or outside of cabins and yurts. A dog left unattended in a cabin or yurt must be in a kennel or pet crate.
- 17. Establish the provision that animals are prohibited in all park buildings, except for service dogs and assistance animals, dogs in designated cabins or yurts (limit of two dogs of any size per designated cabin or yurt), and animals being used in education and interpretation programs.
- 18. Strike the requirement that a person with a physical disability must submit a certificate from a doctor stating that the applicant meets the criteria describing a person with a physical disability in order to meet federal regulations.
- 19. Update the language regarding deer population control hunts by removing the listing of state parks as it is no longer necessary to list those areas in the administrative rules.
- 20. Identify and cite the rules found in Division I that apply to state forest camping areas listed in Division II.
- 21. Establish in Division II of Chapter 61 those rules currently found in Chapter 62 that are unique to state forest camping.

Any interested person may make written suggestions or comments on the proposed amendments on or before July 31, 2012. Such written materials should be directed to Sherry Arntzen, State Parks Bureau, Department of Natural Resources, Wallace State Office Building, 502 East Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0034; fax (515)281-6794. Persons who wish to convey their views orally should contact Sherry Arntzen at (515)242-6233 or at the State Parks Bureau offices on the fourth floor of the Wallace State Office Building in Des Moines, Iowa.

There will be a public hearing on July 31, 2012, at 2 p.m. in the Fourth Floor West Conference Room of the Wallace State Office Building, at which time persons may present their views either orally or in writing. At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subjects of the amendments.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those relating to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Department of Natural Resources and advise of those specific needs.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 455A.5(6), 461A.3, 461A.3A, 461A.35, 461A.39, 461A.42, 461A.43, 461A.45 through 461A.51, and 423.2.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend **571—Chapter 61**, title, as follows: STATE PARKS, AND RECREATION AREAS, AND STATE FOREST CAMPING

#### ITEM 2. Amend rule 571—61.1(461A) as follows:

**571—61.1(461A) Applicability.** This chapter is applicable to all state-owned parks and recreation areas managed by the department of natural resources and by political subdivisions unless otherwise noted. This chapter also governs camping activity in the following state forests:

- 1. Shimek State Forest in Lee and Van Buren Counties.
- 2. Stephens State Forest in Appanoose, Clarke, Davis, Lucas and Monroe Counties.
- 3. Yellow River State Forest in Allamakee County.

ITEM 3. Adopt the following  $\underline{new}$  definitions of "Commission" and "Department" in rule **571—61.2(461A)**:

"Commission" means the natural resource commission.

"Department" means the department of natural resources.

ITEM 4. Amend rule **571—61.2(461A)**, definitions of "Fishing," "Group camp," "Person with physical disability," "Recreation areas," "Rental facilities," "State park," "State park managed by another governmental entity" and "State preserve," as follows:

"Fishing" means taking or attempting to take fish by utilizing hook, line and bait as defined described in Iowa Code section 481A.72, or use of permitted devices for taking rough fish as determined by Iowa Code sections 461A.42 and 481A.76.

"Group camp" means those camping areas at Dolliver Memorial State Park, Springbrook State Park and Lake Keomah State Park where organized groups (i.e., family groups or youth groups) may camp. Dining hall facilities are available.

"Person with physical disability" means any of the following: an individual, commonly termed a paraplegic or quadriplegic, with paralysis or a physical condition of the lower half of the body with the involvement of both legs, usually due to disease or injury to the spinal cord; a person who is a single or double amputee of the legs; or a person with any other physical affliction which makes it impossible to ambulate successfully in park or recreation area natural surroundings without the use of a wheeled conveyance.

"Recreation areas" means the following areas that have been designated by action of the natural resource commission:

Area	County	
Badger Creek Recreation Area	Madison	
Brushy Creek Recreation Area	Webster	
Claire Wilson Park	Dickinson	
Emerson Bay and Lighthouse	Dickinson	
Fairport Recreation Area	Muscatine	
Lower Gar Access	Dickinson	
Marble Beach	Dickinson	
Mines of Spain Recreation Area	Dubuque	
Pioneer Recreation Area	Mitchell	
Pleasant Creek Recreation Area	Linn	
Templar Park	Dickinson	
Volga River Recreation Area	Fayette	
Wilson Island Recreation Area	Pottawattamie	

These areas are managed for multiple uses, including public hunting, and are governed by rules established in this chapter as well as in 571—Chapters 52 and 105.

"Rental facilities" means those facilities that may be rented on a daily or nightly basis and includes open shelters, open shelters with kitchenettes, beach house open shelters, warming lodges, lodges, cabins, yurts and group camps.

"State park" means the following areas managed by the state and designated by action of the natural resource commission:

Area County A. A. Call Kossuth Backbone Delaware Banner Lakes at Summerset Warren Beed's Lake Franklin Bellevue Jackson Big Creek Polk Black Hawk Sac Cedar Rock Buchanan

Clear Lake Cerro Gordo
Dolliver Memorial Webster
Elinor Bedell Dickinson
Elk Rock Marion
Fort Atkinson Winneshiek
Fort Defiance Emmet

Geode Henry and Des Moines

George Wyth Black Hawk Green Valley Union Gull Point Dickinson Honey Creek Appanoose Lacey-Keosauqua Van Buren Lake Ahquabi Warren Lake Anita Cass Lake Darling Washington

Lake Keomah Mahaska
Lake Macbride Johnson
Lake Manawa Pottawattamie

Lake of Three Fires Taylor
Lake Wapello Davis
Ledges Boone
Lewis and Clark Monona
Maquoketa Caves Jackson
McIntosh Woods Cerro Gordo
Mini-Wakan Dickinson

Nine Eagles Decatur **Emmet** Okamanpedan Palisades-Kepler Linn Pikes Peak Clayton Pikes Point Dickinson Pilot Knob Winnebago Pine Lake Hardin Prairie Rose Shelby Preparation Canyon Monona

Area County
Red Haw Lucas
Rice Lake Winnebago
Rock Creek Jasper
Shimek Forest Campground Lee
Springbrook Guthrie
Stephens Forest Campground Lucas

Stone Plymouth and Woodbury

Trapper's Bay Dickinson
Twin Lakes Calhoun
Union Grove Tama

Viking Lake Montgomery

Walnut Woods Polk

Wanata Clay

Wapsipinicon Jones

Waubonsie Fremont

Wildcat Den Muscatine

Yellow River Forest Campground Allamakee

Use and management of these areas are governed by Iowa Code chapter 461A and by other restrictions prescribed on area signs pursuant to Iowa Code section 461A.44.

"State park managed by another governmental entity" means the following areas designated by action of the natural resource commission:

Area County Bobwhite Wayne Browns Lake-Bigelow Park Woodbury Cold Springs Cass Crystal Lake Hancock Eagle Lake Hancock Fayette Echo Valley Frank A. Gotch Humboldt Galland School Lee Heery Woods Butler Kearny Palo Alto Lake Cornelia Wright Lake Odessa Campground Louisa Margo Frankel Woods Polk Mill Creek O'Brien Oak Grove Sioux Oakland Mills Henry Pammel Madison Pioneer Mitchell Sharon Bluffs Appanoose Silver Lake Delaware Spring Lake Greene Swan Lake Carroll

Use and management of these areas are governed by Iowa Code chapter 461A, by this chapter, and by rules adopted by the managing entity.

"State preserve" means the following areas or portion of the areas dedicated by actions pursuant to Iowa Code section 465C.10:

Area County A. F. Miller Bremer Ames High Prairie Story Anderson Prairie Emmet Behrens Ponds and Woodland Linn Berry Woods Warren Bird Hill Cerro Gordo Clayton Bixby Bluffton Fir Stand Winneshiek Brush Creek Canyon Fayette Brushy Creek Webster Cameron Woods Scott Tama Casey's Paha Catfish Creek Dubuque Cayler Prairie Dickinson Cedar Bluffs Natural Area Mahaska Cedar Hills Sand Prairie Black Hawk Cheever Lake Emmet Clay Prairie Butler Claybanks Forest Cerro Gordo Coldwater Cave Winneshiek Crossman Prairie Howard Winneshiek Decorah Ice Cave Derald Dinesen Prairie Shelby Doolittle Prairie Story Eureka Woods Greene Fallen Rock Hardin Fish Farm Mounds Allamakee Five Ridge Prairie Plymouth Poweshiek Fleming Woods Fort Atkinson Winneshiek Fossil and Prairie Park Floyd Freda Haffner Kettlehole Dickinson Gitchie Manitou Lyon Glenwood Mills Hanging Bog Linn Hardin City Woodland Hardin Hartley Fort Allamakee Hartman Bluff Black Hawk Hayden Prairie Howard Cerro Gordo Hoffman Prairie

Area County Indian Bluffs Primitive Area Jones Indian Fish Trap Iowa Kalsow Prairie Pocahontas Kish-Ke-Kosh Prairie Jasper Lamson Woods Jefferson Liska-Stanek Prairie Webster Little Maquoketa River Mounds Dubuque Winneshiek Malanaphy Springs Malchow Mounds Des Moines Manikowski Prairie Clinton Mann Wilderness Area Hardin Marietta Sand Prairie Marshall Mericle Woods Tama Merrill A. Stainbrook Johnson Merritt Forest Clayton Montauk Fayette Mossy Glen Clayton Mount Pisgah Cemetery Union

Mount Talbot Woodbury and Plymouth

Nestor Stiles Prairie Cherokee Ocheyedan Mound Osceola Old State Quarry Johnson Palisades-Dows Linn Pecan Grove Muscatine Pellett Memorial Woods Cass Perkins Prairie Greene Pilot Grove Iowa Pilot Knob Hancock Retz Memorial Woods Clayton Roberts Creek Clayton Rock Creek Island Cedar Rock Island Botanical Linn Roggman Boreal Slopes Clayton Warren Rolling Thunder Prairie Savage Woods Henry

Silver Lake Fen Dickinson
Silvers-Smith Woods Dallas
Slinde Mounds Allamakee
St. James Lutheran Church Winneshiek
Starr's Cave Des Moines
Steele Prairie Cherokee
Stinson Prairie Kossuth

Searryl's Cave

Sheeder Prairie

Jones

Guthrie

Strasser Woods Polk Sylvan Runkel Monona Toolesboro Mounds Louisa Turin Loess Hills Monona Turkey River Mounds Clayton Vincent Bluff Pottawattamie White Pine Hollow Dubuque Williams Prairie Johnson Wittrock Indian Village O'Brien Warren Woodland Mounds Woodman Hollow Webster Woodthrush Woods Jefferson

Use and management of these areas are governed by rules established in this chapter as well as by management plans adopted by the preserves advisory board.

ITEM 5. Adopt the following **new** division title preceding rule 571—61.3(461A):

#### DIVISION I STATE PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS

ITEM 6. Rescind rule 571—61.3(461A) and adopt the following **new** rule in lieu thereof:

- **571—61.3(461A)** Centralized reservation system—operating procedures and policies. The centralized reservation system of the department accepts and processes reservations for camping and rental facilities in state parks, recreation areas and state forest campgrounds.
  - **61.3(1)** Recreation facilities available on centralized reservation system.
- a. Rental facilities. All rental facilities are available on the centralized reservation system with the exception of the conservation education center rental at Springbrook State Park.
  - b. Campgrounds.
- (1) All campgrounds are available on the centralized reservation system except for the campgrounds at A. A. Call State Park, Fort Defiance State Park and Preparation Canyon State Park and the backpack campsites located in state forests.
- (2) No less than 50 percent and up to no more than 75 percent of the total number of campsites in each individual campground shall be designated as reservable sites on the reservation system. The determination of which campsites shall be included in the reservable designation shall be the responsibility of the park staff in each park. Park staff shall include a combination of electric, nonelectric and sewer/water sites while taking into consideration campsite characteristics such as location, shade and size. The department will review the percentage of reservable sites and usage on a biennial basis and determine whether the percentage of reservable campsites should be changed. A reservable campsite will be identified with a reservable-site marker on the campsite post.
- (3) All designated organized youth group campsites and campsites marked with the international symbol of accessibility are included in the reservation system.
  - (4) Reservations will not be accepted for camping stays that occur November 1 through March 31.
- **61.3(2)** *Methods available to make reservations.* Persons may make reservations by telephone through the call center or through the Internet by using the reservation system Web site.
  - **61.3(3)** Reservation transaction fees.
- a. Reservation fee. A nonrefundable reservation fee shall be charged for each reservation made per campsite or rental facility regardless of the length of stay. The one-time fee is per reservation and is not charged per day or per night. This fee is in addition to the camping fees or rental fees established in subrules 61.4(1) and 61.5(1). The reservation fees, which differ based upon the method used when the reservation is made, are as follows:

- (1) Internet reservation \$4.
- (2) Telephone reservation \$6.
- b. Change fee. The following fees shall be charged to change an existing reservation:
- (1) Reservation change made through the Internet \$5.
- (2) Reservation change made over the telephone \$7.
- c. Cancellation fee. The following fees shall be charged to cancel a reservation:
- (1) Reservation cancellation made through the Internet \$5.
- (2) Reservation cancellation made over the telephone \$7.
- **61.3(4)** Reservation window.
- a. Camping. Camping reservations may be made up to 3 months before arrival but no later than 21 days before arrival if payment is made by paper check or money order and no later than 2 days before arrival if payment is made by credit card or debit card.
  - b. Rental facilities.
- (1) Rentals for May 1 to September 30. Rental facility reservations may be made up to 12 months before arrival but not later than 21 days before arrival if payment is made by paper check or money order and no later than 4 days before arrival if payment is made by credit card or debit card.
- (2) Rentals for October 1 to April 30. Rental facility reservations may be made up to 12 months before arrival but not later than 21 days before arrival if payment is made by paper check or money order and no later than 7 days before arrival if payment is made by credit card or debit card.
- **61.3(5)** Site-specific reservations. All reservations shall be for a specific campsite, cabin, lodge or open shelter.
- **61.3(6)** Changing a reservation. Changes to reservations shall not be made until the initial reservation has been paid in full.
  - a. Camping.
- (1) The last day a person may make a change to a camping reservation is 4 days prior to the scheduled arrival date if payment is made by credit card or debit card or 21 days prior to the scheduled arrival date if payment is made by paper check or money order.
- (2) Equestrian campers may make changes to a camping reservation less than 4 days prior to the arrival date if the equestrian trails are closed on the same day as the equestrian campers' scheduled arrival date or on the day before their scheduled arrival date.
- b. Rental facilities. The last day a person may make a change to a rental facility reservation is 15 days prior to the scheduled arrival date if payment is made by credit card or debit card or 21 days prior to the scheduled arrival date if payment is made by paper check or money order.
- **61.3(7)** Canceling a reservation. Persons who cancel their reservations prior to or on the scheduled arrival date shall receive a refund as follows:
  - a. Camping.
- (1) Persons who cancel their reservations two or more days prior to the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all camping fees paid less the cancellation fee.
- (2) Persons who cancel their reservations one day prior to the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all camping fees paid less the cancellation fee and forfeiture of one night's camping fee.
- (3) Persons who cancel their reservations on the scheduled day of arrival will receive a refund of all camping fees paid less the cancellation fee and forfeiture of two nights' camping fees.
  - b. Cabins.
- (1) Persons who cancel their reservations 30 or more days prior to the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all rental fees and tax paid less the cancellation fee.
- (2) Persons who cancel their reservations 15 to 29 days prior to the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all rental fees and tax paid less the cancellation fee and forfeiture of one night's rental fee and tax.
- (3) Persons who cancel their reservations less than 15 days prior to the scheduled arrival date or on the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all rental fees and tax paid less the cancellation fee and forfeiture of two nights' rental fees and tax.
  - c. Lodges, open shelters, open shelters with kitchenettes, and beach house open shelters.

- (1) Persons who cancel their reservations 30 or more days prior to the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all rental fees and tax paid less the cancellation fee.
- (2) Persons who cancel their reservations 15 to 29 days prior to the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all rental fees and tax paid less the cancellation fee and forfeiture of one day's rental fee and tax.
- (3) Persons who cancel their reservations less than 15 days prior to the scheduled arrival date or on the scheduled arrival date will receive a refund of all rental fees and tax paid less the cancellation fee and forfeiture of two days' rental fees and tax, if applicable.
- d. Cancellation after scheduled arrival date. Persons who cancel any reservation after the scheduled arrival date will receive no refund unless extenuating circumstances have been documented, reviewed, and approved in writing by the department.
- e. Cancellation fees exceeding camping or rental fees. When the cancellation fee and forfeiture of camping fees or rental fees and tax exceed the total amount of camping fees or rental fees and tax paid, no refund will be issued.
- ITEM 7. Strike "department of natural resources" wherever it appears in subrules 61.4(1) and 61.4(5), rule 571—61.5(461A), subrules 61.7(4) and 61.9(1), and rule 571—61.14(461A) and insert "department" in lieu thereof.

## ITEM 8. Amend subparagraph **61.4(3)**"a"(1) as follows:

- (1) Registration of walk-in campers occupying nonreservable campsites or unrented, reservable campsites will be on a first-come, first-served basis and will be handled by a self-registration process. Registration forms will be provided by the department of natural resources. Campers shall, within one-half hour of arrival at the campground, complete the registration form, place the appropriate fee or number of camping tickets in the envelope and place the envelope in the depository provided by the department of natural resources. One copy of the registration form must then be placed in the campsite holder provided at the campsite. The camping length of stay identified on the camping registration form must begin with the actual date the camper registers, pays and posts the registration at the campsite.
  - ITEM 9. Reletter paragraphs 61.4(5)"k" and "l" as 61.4(5)"m" and "n."

### ITEM 10. Adopt the following **new** paragraphs **61.4(5)"k"** and "l":

- *k.* Minimum stay requirements for camping reservations. From May 1 to September 30, a two-night minimum stay is required for weekends. The two nights shall be designated as Friday and Saturday nights. However, if September 30 is a Friday, the Friday and Saturday night stay shall not apply. If September 30 is a Saturday, the Friday and Saturday night stay shall apply. The following additional exceptions apply:
- (1) A Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay is required for the national Memorial Day holiday and national Labor Day holiday weekends.
- (2) A Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night stay is required for the Fourth of July holiday if the Fourth of July occurs on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday.
- (3) A Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay is required for the Fourth of July holiday if the Fourth of July occurs on a Monday.
- *l.* Buddy campsite reservations. Buddy campsites are between two to four individual sites that are grouped together and can only be reserved and used collectively. Campers reserving buddy campsites through the centralized reservation system must reserve both or all four of the individual sites that make up the group buddy campsite or buddy campsite.

## ITEM 11. Amend paragraph **61.5(1)"c"** as follows:

c. Lodge rental per reservation. This fee does not include tax. Tax will be calculated at time of payment.

	Per Weekday M-Th***	Per Weekend Day Fr-Su
A. A. Call State Park, Kossuth County	\$ 40	\$ 80
Backbone State Park Auditorium, Delaware County**	25	50
Backbone State Park, Delaware County	62.50	125
Beed's Lake State Park, Franklin County	40	80
Bellevue State Park-Nelson Unit, Jackson County	50	100
Clear Lake State Park, Cerro Gordo County	50	100
Dolliver Memorial State Park-Central Lodge, Webster County**	<del>30</del>	60
Central Lodge**	<u>30</u>	<u>60</u>
South Lodge	37.50	<u>75</u>
Dolliver Memorial State Park-South Lodge, Webster County	<del>37.50</del>	75
Ft. Defiance State Park, Emmet County	35	70
George Wyth State Park, Black Hawk County**	35	70
Gull Point State Park, Dickinson County	100	200
Lacey-Keosauqua State Park, Van Buren County	35	70
Beach Lodge	<u>35</u>	<u>70</u>
Lodge	<u>35</u>	<u>70</u>
Lake Ahquabi State Park, Warren County	45	90
Lake Darling State Park, Washington County	100	200
Lake Keomah State Park, Mahaska County	45	90
Lake Macbride State Park, Johnson County		
Beach Lodge	35	70
Lodge	35	70
Lake of Three Fires State Park, Taylor County	35	70
Lake Wapello State Park, Davis County	30	60
Lewis and Clark State Park, Monona County	<del>35</del>	<del>70</del>
Lodge	<u>35</u>	<u>70</u>
Visitor Center Banquet Room	<u>75</u>	<u>150</u>
Mini-Wakan State Park, Dickinson County	<u>75</u>	<u>150</u>
Palisades-Kepler State Park, Linn County	87.50	175
Pine Lake State Park, Hardin County	40	80
Pleasant Creek Recreation Area, Linn County**	37.50	75
Stone State Park, Woodbury/Plymouth Counties	62.50	125
Viking Lake State Park, Montgomery County	30	60
Walnut Woods State Park, Polk County	100	200
Wapsipinicon State Park, Jones County		
Heated year-round lodge Rotary Lodge	35	70
Unheated seasonal lodge Boy Scout Lodge	20	40
Waubonsie State Park, Fremont County	<u>75</u>	<u>150</u>
**Does not contain kitchen facilities		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Does not contain kitchen facilities

## ITEM 12. Amend subparagraph **61.5(1)"h"(4)** as follows:

(4) Reservations. School groups and DNR <u>department</u> camps may reserve the center three years in advance. All other groups may reserve the center a year in advance on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no reservation fee. Fees shall be paid upon arrival at the center.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The weekend day fee applies to New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas, even though the holiday may fall on a weekday.

- ITEM 13. Adopt the following **new** paragraph **61.5(1)"i"**:
- *i.* Pilot Knob warming house reservation, \$30 plus applicable tax.
- ITEM 14. Amend subparagraph **61.5(3)"b"(3)** as follows:
- (3) The multifamily cabin at Springbrook State Park may be reserved for a minimum of two nights throughout the entire rental season with the following exceptions:
- 1. From the Friday of the national Memorial Day holiday weekend through the Thursday after the national Labor Day holiday, a Friday and Saturday night stay is required for weekends.
- 2. 1. A Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay is required for the national Memorial Day holiday and national Labor Day holiday weekends.
- 3. 2. A Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night stay is required for the Fourth of July holiday if the Fourth of July occurs on a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday.
- 4. 3. A Friday, Saturday, and Sunday night stay is required for the Fourth of July holiday if the Fourth of July occurs on a Monday.
  - ITEM 15. Amend paragraph **61.5(3)**"i" as follows:
- *i.* Except by arrangement with the park staff in charge of the area, persons renting  $\underline{a}$  lodge, shelter, and or beach house open shelter facilities facility and all guests shall vacate the facility by 10 p.m.
  - ITEM 16. Amend subrule 61.5(4) as follows:
- **61.5(4)** Damage deposits for all rental facilities cabins, lodges, open shelters with kitchenettes, and yurts.
- a. Upon arrival for the rental facility period, renters shall pay in full a damage deposit in the amount of \$50. an amount equal to the weekend daily rental fee for the facility or \$50, whichever is greater. If a gathering with keg beer takes place in a lodge or open shelter with kitchenette, the damage deposit shall be waived in lieu of a keg damage deposit as specified in 571—subrule 63.5(3) if the keg damage deposit is greater than the lodge or open shelter with kitchenette damage deposit.
  - b. to d. No change.
  - ITEM 17. Amend subrule 61.7(1) as follows:
  - **61.7(1)** *Animals.*
  - a. The use of equine animals and llamas is limited to roadways or to trails designated for such use.
  - b. Animals are prohibited within designated beach areas.
- c. Livestock are not permitted to graze or roam within state parks and recreation areas. The owner of the livestock shall remove the livestock immediately upon notification by the department of natural resources personnel in charge of the area.
  - d. Animals are prohibited in all park buildings, with the following exceptions:
  - (1) Service dogs and assistive animals.
- (2) Dogs in designated cabins and yurts. A maximum of two dogs of any size shall be allowed in any designated cabin or yurt.
  - (3) Animals being used in education and interpretation programs.
- d- e. Except for dogs being used in designated hunting or in dog training areas, pets such as dogs or cats shall not be allowed to run at large within state parks, recreation areas, or preserves. Such animals shall be on a leash or chain not to exceed six feet in length and shall be either led by or carried by the owner; attached to an anchor/tie-out or vehicle; or confined in a vehicle. Pets shall not be left unattended in campgrounds. Dogs shall be kenneled when left unattended in a cabin or yurt and shall not be left unattended if tied up outside of the cabin or yurt.
  - ITEM 18. Amend subrule 61.7(5) as follows:
- **61.7(5)** *Firearms*. The use of firearms in state parks and recreation areas, as defined in <u>rule</u> 571—61.2(461A), is limited to the following:
- *a.* Lawful hunting as traditionally allowed at Badger Creek Recreation Area, Brushy Creek Recreation Area, Pleasant Creek Recreation Area, Mines of Spain Recreation Area (pursuant to <u>rule 571—61.9(461A)</u>), Volga River Recreation Area and Wilson Island Recreation Area.
  - b. Target and practice shooting in areas designated by DNR the department.

- c. Special events, festivals, and education programs sponsored or permitted by  $\overline{\text{DNR}}$  the department.
  - d. Special hunts authorized by the natural resource commission to control deer populations.

ITEM 19. Amend subparagraph **61.7(8)"b"(1)** as follows:

- (1) Permits.
- 1. Each person with a physical disability must have a permit issued by the director in order to use a motorized vehicle in specific areas within state parks, recreation areas, and preserves. Such permits will be issued without charge. An applicant must submit a certificate from a doctor stating that the applicant meets the criteria describing a person with a physical disability. One nonhandicapped companion may accompany the permit holder on the same vehicle if that vehicle is designed for more than one rider; otherwise the companion must walk.
  - 2. No change.

ITEM 20. Amend subparagraph 61.7(8)"b"(2) as follows:

(2) Approved areas. On each visit, the permit holder must contact the park staff in charge of the specific area in which the permit holder wishes to use a motorized vehicle. The park staff must designate on a park map the area(s) where the permit holder will be allowed to use a motorized vehicle. This restriction is intended to protect the permit holder from hazards or to protect certain natural resources of the area. The map is to be signed and dated on each visit by the park staff in charge of the area. Approval for use of a motorized vehicle on state preserves also requires consultation with a member of the preserves staff in Des Moines.

#### ITEM 21. Amend subrule 61.7(9) as follows:

61.7(9) *Noise*. Creating or sustaining any unreasonable noise in any portion of all <u>any</u> state <u>parks</u> and <u>park or</u> recreation <u>areas</u> area is prohibited at all times. The nature and purpose of a person's conduct, the impact on other area users, the time of day, location, and other factors which would govern the conduct of a reasonable, prudent person under the circumstances shall be used to determine whether the noise is unreasonable. Unreasonable noise <u>shall include</u> includes, but is not necessarily limited to, the operation or utilization of motorized equipment or machinery such as an electric generator, motor vehicle, or motorized toy; or audio device such as a radio, television set, <u>tape deck</u>, public address system, or musical instrument; or other device. Between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 6 a.m., noise which can be heard at a distance of 120 feet or three campsites shall be considered unreasonable.

### ITEM 22. Amend subrule 61.7(15) as follows:

**61.7(15)** *Deer population control hunts.* Deer hunting as allowed under Iowa Code section 461A.42"c" 461A.42(1)"c" is permitted only during special hunts in the following state parks as provided under 571—Chapter 105 and as approved by the natural resource commission. During the dates of deer hunting special hunts, only persons engaged in deer hunting shall use the area or portions thereof as designated by DNR the department and signed as such.

Backbone State Park **Delaware County** Elk Rock State Park **Marion County** George Wyth State Park **Black Hawk County** Lake Darling State Park **Washington County** Lake Manawa State Park Pottawattamie County Lake of Three Fires State Park **Taylor County** Springbrook State Park **Guthrie County** Viking Lake State Park **Montgomery County** 

#### ITEM 23. Amend subrule 61.8(4) as follows:

**61.8(4)** Pleasant Creek Recreation Area, Linn County. Swimming is limited by the provisions of 61.7(2); also, swimming is prohibited at the beach from 10:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. daily. Access into and out of the north portion of the area between the east end of the dam to the campground shall be closed from

10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., except that walk-in overnight fishing will be allowed along the dam. The areas known as the dog trial area and the equestrian area shall be closed from 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., except for equestrian camping and for those persons participating in a DNR-authorized department-authorized field trial. From 10:30 p.m. to 4 a.m., only registered campers are permitted in the campground.

ITEM 24. Amend rule 571—61.10(461A) as follows:

- **571—61.10(461A) After-hours fishing—exception to closing time.** Persons shall be allowed access to the areas designated in <u>rule 571—61.11(461A)</u> between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 4 a.m. under the following conditions:
  - 1. The person shall be actively engaged in fishing.
- 2. The person shall behave in a quiet, courteous manner so as not to disturb other users of the park such as campers.
- 3. Access to the fishing site from the parking area shall be by the shortest and most direct trail or access facility.
  - 4. Vehicle parking shall be in the lots designated by signs posted in the area.
- 5. Activities other than fishing are allowed with permission of the director or an employee designated by the director.
  - ITEM 25. Amend rule **571—61.14(461A)**, first unnumbered paragraph, as follows:

The intended projects will be included in the department's annual five-year capital plan in priority order by year and approved by the natural resource commission for inclusion in its capital budget request.

ITEM 26. Amend rule 571—61.15(461A,463C) as follows:

- **571—61.15(461A,463C) Honey Creek Resort State Park.** This chapter shall not apply to Honey Creek Resort State Park, with the exception that subrules 61.7(1) through 61.7(9) and 61.7(11) through 61.7(16) 61.7(15) and rule 61.12(461A) shall apply to the operation and management of Honey Creek Resort State Park. Where permission is required to be obtained from the department, an authorized representative of the department's management company may provide such permission in accordance with policies established by the department.
  - ITEM 27. Reserve rules **571—61.16** to **571—61.19**.
  - ITEM 28. Adopt the following **new** division title preceding rule 571—61.20(461A):

#### DIVISION II STATE FOREST CAMPING

ITEM 29. Adopt the following **new** rules 571—61.20(461A) to 571—61.23(461A):

#### 571—61.20(461A) Camping areas established and marked.

- **61.20(1)** Areas to be utilized for camping shall be established within each of the state forests listed in rule 571—61.1(461A).
- **61.20(2)** Signs designating the established camping areas shall be posted along the access roads into these areas and around the perimeter of the area designated for camping use.
- **61.20(3)** Areas approved for backpack camping (no vehicular access) shall be marked with appropriate signs and shall contain fire rings.
- **571—61.21(461A)** Campground reservations. Procedures and policies regarding camping reservations in established state forest campgrounds shall be the same as those cited in rule 571—61.3(461A). Reservations will not be accepted for backpack campsites.

### 571—61.22(461A) Camping fees and registration.

61.22(1) Fees.

a. Backpack campsites. No fee will be charged for the use of the designated backpack campsites.

- b. The fees for camping in established state forest campgrounds shall be the same as those cited in paragraphs 61.4(1) "a" and "b" for all other nonmodern camping areas managed by the department where fees are charged.
  - **61.22(2)** *Procedures for camping registration.*
- a. Backpack campsites. Persons using backpack campsites shall register at the forest area check station or other designated site.
- b. The procedures for camping registration in established state forest campgrounds shall be the same as those cited in paragraphs 61.4(3) "a," "b," and "c."
- c. Organized youth group campsites. The procedures for camping registration for organized youth group campsites shall be the same as those cited in subrule 61.4(4).

#### 571—61.23(461A) Restrictions—area and use.

- **61.23(1)** Restrictions of campsite or campground use in established state forest campgrounds shall be the same as those cited in paragraphs 61.4(5) "a" through "c," "e" through "k," "m," and "n."
- **61.23(2)** Hours. Access into and out of the established camping areas shall be permitted from 4 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. From 10:31 p.m. to 3:59 a.m., only registered campers are permitted in the campgrounds.
- **61.23(3)** Firearms use prohibited. Except for peace officers acting in the scope of their employment, the use of firearms, fireworks, explosives, and weapons of all kinds by the public is prohibited within the established camping area as delineated by signs marking the area.
- **61.23(4)** Pets. Pets such as dogs or cats shall not be allowed to run at large within established state forest camping areas. Such animals shall be on a leash or chain not to exceed six feet in length and shall be either led by or carried by the owner; attached to an anchor, tie-out or vehicle; or confined in a vehicle.
  - **61.23(5)** Noise. Subrule 61.7(9) shall apply to established state forest camping areas.
  - ITEM 30. Rescind and reserve 571—Chapter 62.